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| **Welcome from CCG Chair** |

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| **Welcome to this week’s edition of Practice News**During a week of full capacity in general practice, with a myriad of patients and CCG and Shadow ICS meeting; a moment of real light came when I visited (virtually) a GP surgery in Coventry. The tone of the meeting was so uplifting. The GP who did not deny their busyness, uncertainty and frustrations, was clear and emphatic on the point that he was there, through the NHS, to serve his community. He stated that a normal surgery “is like a piece of cake, it’s a joy, it's what I do” and that despite working in a deprived part of our patch, he could impact by partnering with local people, organisations and services to make a “real, sustainable difference”.I’ve mentioned previously the “exchange programme” we have with consultants at UHCW. Maggie from the LMC will be co-ordinating and matching GPs willing to host a consultant. It’s then up to them to sort out the arrangements.  The pace, scope and undifferentiated nature of what we see as GPs and the love we have for our work, as clear in my Coventry experience detailed above, would be great to share with hospital colleagues. We are also speaking to GEH/SWFT to see if they would like to participate. If you would like to take part do drop Maggie an email and she will get the ball rolling - maggie.edwardswarkslmc@nhs.net . This week’s newsletter is bursting with news with lots of information, forms and guidance. Do take a careful look and ensure that your Practice Manager has received the information too. If you have any COVID-19 related queries, please send them through to: warnoccg.covid19primarycarecommunications@nhs.net Finally, I would like to welcome Drs Richard Lambert (Clinical Lead for Transformation) and Mehwish Qureshi (Clinical lead for Digital) to their new roles within the CCG. They will be helping us centre primary care at the core of the ICS and drive change that benefits all. Congratulations and welcome!  More about them over the next few weeks.  rough to: warnoccg.covid19primarycarecommunications@nhs.net. |

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| If you'd like to have Practice News and other relevant CCG updates sent to you directly, please email cwccg.communications@nhs.net |

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| Latest information for practices                                                                                **Updates and guidance for general practice**Please read this [letter](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKK18-1/c.aspx) which outlines our continuing expectations across primary care in relation to access, infection prevention and control, and continuing contractual/regulatory arrangements.                        **Compassion in Dying packs request - posters to all primary care**In May packs were posted to all Primary Care surgeries across Coventry and Warwickshire, containing leaflets and posters surrounding Advanced decisions to refuse treatment – links below to the content.                       In a printed format, the packs included 20 booklets, 5 printed easy read leaflets of each of the following:* [Advance Decision pack](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJK9-1/c.aspx)
* [Starting the Conversation](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKA-1/c.aspx)
* [Planning Ahead](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKB-1/c.aspx)
* [What now; Questions to ask after a terminal diagnosis’](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKC-1/c.aspx)

It would be very much appreciated if any practices could take some images of the leaflet being hosted in a holder in reception/waiting areas and/ or posters up on the wall in the waiting area. These packs were sent as part of a wider response to a complex case and we are keen to gather evidence for the group. Please send any images to: raman.johal@nhs.net. Thank you.                        **National flu immunisation programme 2021 to 2022 letter**Please see the following link to the [National flu immunisation programme 2021 to 2022 letter - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKD-1/c.aspx). It outlines this years Flu plan and describes what the service specification and payment will be. **UHCW Services Update for Primary Care**Please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AL9RI-1/c.aspx) the UHCW services update for Primary Care.                                                                    **Cervical Screening Operational Comms**Please see the [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKE-1/c.aspx) communication on the pending change from Open Exeter.                                                                                                                                       **NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme**Following the information in last weeks newsletter regarding the revised process for referring those over 80 years of age to the NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme, please find the NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme referral form ([new version attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKF-1/c.aspx)) to replace the old one, to update on your systems.                                              **COVID-19 Exemption from Contact Isolation – Primary Care**The Government confirmed from **Monday 19th July 2021**, double vaccinated front line health and social care staff in England who have been told to self-isolate will be permitted to attend work in **exceptional circumstances**.                      This includes staff who have been contacted as a close contact of a case of COVID-19 by NHS Test and Trace, or advised to self-isolate by the NHS COVID-19 app.  For more information please see [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKG-1/c.aspx) .           **Learning Disability Advice Email Address**The Community Learning Disability Team (CLDT) have set up an email address that can be used by practice based staff seeking advice related to working with a patient who has a learning disability. Examples may include queries relating to reasonable adjustments, mental capacity/best interest decisions and STOMP/psychotropic medication.  Please note that this does not replace the usual referral mechanisms for CLDT. The email address is: CLDTGPadvice@covwarkpt.nhs.uk           **Update on 2ww form for Lower GI and Gynaecology**Please see attached the up-to-date 2ww form for [Lower GI](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKH-1/c.aspx) and [Gynaecology.](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKI-1/c.aspx) Ensure that this is the version on your EMIS system and review your 'recently used' list to check that it is the updated form. Find attached a [guide](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJLG-1/c.aspx) on how to remove deactivated forms from EMIS.          **Consultant Connect Service Reminder – Are you making the most out of the service to ease summer pressures?**Please see the attached information below the service reminder, showing you the list of available specialties which you can contact for rapid Telephone and Photo Advice & Guidance, provided by Consultant Connect. Using Advice & Guidance can help reduce the need for patients to visit the hospital, and we strongly recommend that you make use of the service.          * [Coventry and Rugby service reminder](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKMTT-1/c.aspx)
* [Warwickshire North Service reminder](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKMTU-1/c.aspx)

**Re-opening of CWPT Diabetes clinics****For the attention of Coventry General Practice colleagues.****On behalf of Theresa Brookes, Interim Deputy Operational Lead for Planned Care**Since April 2020 the Community Diabetes service (General diabetes and Lipids) based at City of Coventry Health Centre has been closed to new patients. During this time we have continued with our open caseload by offering follow up telephone consultations.          I am pleased to confirm that from **1st August we will be reopening the service on the NHS eReferral Service** and accepting new referrals from this date. These patients will be able to book into appointments starting from 1st September. This date ensures that patients are able to undertake a blood test prior to their appointment and the results will be available to the clinician.                  Newly referred patients will be booked in for a face to face appointment and we will continue to offer a telephone consultation to our open caseload and to future follow ups.  This ensures that we can optimise our current capacity and match this to patient demand.                     We continue to utilise electronic Advice and Guidance for this service and welcome any queries you may have via this route. We thank you for your patience and understanding during these unusual times.           **PTSD Support for Community**Sole Survivor have recently revamped their website with free resources and guides for people with PTSD.  Please signpost 111 calls to the website for information and guidance, [www.ptsdsupport.co.uk](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKHK1-1/c.aspx)                                 **Supply issue with Clexane® (enoxaparin) pre-filled syringes**Please find [attached](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJOX-1/c.aspx) a Medicine Supply Notification for:* **A Tier 2 medicine supply notification for Clexane® (enoxaparin) pre-filled syringes**

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| **Medicine** | **Out of stock** | **Alternatives** |
| Clexane® (enoxaparin) pre-filled syringes:·       4000IU (40mg/0.4ml)·       6000IU (60mg/0.6ml)·       8000IU (80mg/0.8ml)·       10,000IU (100mg/1ml) | From September until November 2021 | ·     Sanofi will supply Clexane® with the PREVENTIS™ automatic safety system for the affected presentations only. This will be a UK licensed product.                                            ·     Other brands of enoxaparin biosimilars remain available but cannot support an uplift in demand.      Please see MSN for further details. |

                         There have also been changes to the re-supply dates of the medicines listed below.  These communications were previously circulated via the NHSE&I commissioning routes.

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| MSN/2020/061 | 10/11/2020 | Trifluoperazine 1mg/5ml syrup | April 2021 |                          Mid-September 2021                          |   |

                         Please be aware this communication is also being circulated separately to all community pharmacies in England.                      Please note that for supply issues that have been categorised as tier 1 or 2, DHSC and the MSRG have requested that the NHSE&I commissioning routes are used to reach community pharmacy and GP practices. More serious supply issues are communicated via the Central Alerting System for action.  If you have any queries please contact: DHSCmedicinesupplyteam@dhsc.gov.uk                         Please note, if the enquiry relates to any changes (additions or removals) to the mailing list and you are enquiring from a GP practice, please contact the NHSE&I Head of Primary Care commissioning.                                                                                                                                      Trainings, events & surveys                       None                                                                                                                      Newsletters**Coventry School Nursing newsletter**It is nationally anticipated that there will be a rise of respiratory infections such as asthma and bronchiolitis. To this end, the Coventry School Nursing Team have produced the [attached newsletter](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-AKJKJ-1/c.aspx).Although aimed at schools to help support children upon their return to education after the summer holidays, it is also felt it would be beneficial to have sight of it in primary care and if it could be displayed in waiting areas of surgeries it would be very much appreciated. Although relates primarily to Coventry, the overall message is the same with regards to inhalers etc.              **July immunisation newsletter**                                                                                                        Please find the [July immunisation](https://cwccg.net/5ECH-EIUY-3W4C1S-ALIM7-1/c.aspx) newsletter attached for your information. |

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